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Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 03715.0109

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Jöel RICHARD et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1615  
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Application No.: 10/049,186 ) Examiner: Gollamudi S. Kishore  
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Filed: February 8, 2002 ) Confirmation No.: 8142  
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For: MICROPARTICLES FOR ) **Mail Stop AF**  
PULMONARY ADMINISTRATION )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

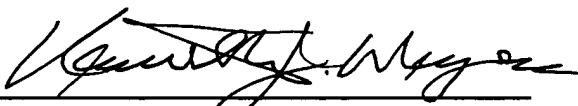
Applicants hereby petition for a three month extension of time to reply to the  
Office Action of March 17, 2004. A fee of \$950.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge  
any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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